KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND — Group of Parish Churches — THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Merevale 

Hurley 

Kingsbury 

Baxterley 

Wood End 

Priest-in-Charge: In Vacancy
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15/11/26 —
2 before Advent

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 15th Nov
2 before Advent

KINGSBURY
9.30am Holy Communion

MEREVALE
11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Zephaniah 1. 7, 12-end; Psalm 90. 1-8; 1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11; Matthew 25. 14-30)

Next Sunday - 22nd Nov
Christ the King

BAXTERLEY
9.30am Morning Prayer
KINGSBURY
11.00am Holy Communion
1.00pm Baptism Service
FARM CHURCH
2.30pm in Wood End Church
(Readings: Ezekiel 34. 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95. 1-7; Ephesians 1. 15-end; Matthew 25. 31-end)

Sunday 29th November
Advent Sunday
(Year B begins)

GROUP SERVICE

11.00am Holy Communion
at
MEREVALE

(Readings: Isaiah 64. 1-9; Psalm 80. 1-8; 1 Corinthians 1. 3-9; Mark 13. 24-end)

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or on our Website
http://www.kingbaxgroup.org.uk

Forthcoming Events

Monday 16th November
- *12.30pm Church Fellowship meet at Jubilee Court*

Tuesday 17th November
- *8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)*

Wednesday 18th November
- *9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End*

Thursday 19th November
- *11.30am Rev Carole at Clergy Chapter meeting*
- *4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley*
- *7.00pm Kingsbury Heating/Roof meeting in Old Stables*

Saturday 21st November
- *9.30am Diocesan Synod*
- *11.00am-1.00pm Brunch at Baxterley*

Tuesday 24th November
- *1.30-3.30pm Puzzle Library Open in Old Stables*
- *8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)*

Wednesday 25th November
- *9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End followed by 10.30am Advent Reflections (1)*

Thursday 26th November
- *11.00am Funeral of Brian Stansfield at Kingsbury*
- *4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley followed by 5.15pm Advent Reflections (1)*

Friday 27th November
- *3.15pm Funeral of Barry Ward at Sutton Crem. and afterwards at Wood End Club*

Saturday 28th November
- *10.00-12.00 Choir Singing at Baxterley*

A Formal Announcement!

Many of you are already aware that both Rev Carole and our Reader Ruth are to retire from public ministry at the end of this year, but for those who did not know this news, this is the formal announcement that they will retire on the 31st December 2026. Their last Sunday in post will be Sunday 27th December with a Group Service at 11am at Wood End - our Oversight Area friends will join us then too. Rev Carole has a final wedding on 31st December and both she and Ruth will join us for Evening Prayer at Baxterley afterwards. Do join us!

Wood End Fair raised **£1,065** for Church Funds. Many thanks to all who helped make it a success!

Collect for 2 before Advent

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Parable of the Talents

Please Pray for:

Those who are ill:
Rachel : Lauren : Samuel
Hope : Sean : Kay
Rose Stubbs : Glenys
Carole Haines : Diane : Fred
Sandra : Millie : Martha : Sheila
Trevor : Hannah & Olivia
Chris Martin : Ann Gallagher
Marjorie Nunan : Helen de Renzy
Jane Pratt : Felicity Cawthra
Danielle Hughes : Marjorie Ranson
Roger Woodward

Preparing for Marriage
Lydia & Kieran

Those who have died
Barry Ward : Mavis Edwards
Michael MacLachlan
David Smith : Brian Stanfield
Christine Brierley
Anyone you know and All families grieving the loss of loved ones

Please also pray for ....
That the right person applies to be our next Incumbent.

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SEE OVERLEAF FOR READINGS & FURTHER NOTICES

This week we pray for all who live or work in these Roads in our communities:
Coton Road & Coventry Rd Sth in Kingsbury; Hipsley Farm Cottages in Hurley; Pinewood Avenue in Wood End; and The Common in Merevale w. Bentley

Safeguarding Support: If you have a safeguarding matter you need to discuss, speak to our **Parish Safeguarding Officer - Dr. Pru Allington-Smith on 01827 825701** or **Rev. Carole** or in emergency **the Bishop's Safeguarding Adviser, Steph Haynes on 07342 993844**
StephH@cofebirmingham.com

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Readings for Second Sunday before Advent

Zephaniah 1. 7, 12-end

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD
is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has
consecrated his guests. [12]At that time I will search
Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who
rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in
their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do
harm." [13]Their wealth shall be plundered, and their
houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they
shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them. [14]The great day of
the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of
the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud
there. [15]That day will be a day of wrath, a day of
distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a
day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick
darkness, [16]a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities and against the lofty battle-
ments. [17]I will bring such distress upon people that
they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned
against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like
dust, and their flesh like dung. [18]Neither their silver nor
their gold will be able to save them on the day of the
Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth
shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will
make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Psalm 90. 1-8

[1]Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
[2]Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had
formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to ever-
lasting you are God.
[3]You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you
mortals."
[4]For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when
it is past, or like a watch in the night.
[5]You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass
that is renewed in the morning;
[6]in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening
it fades and withers.
[7]For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we
are overwhelmed.
[8]You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in
the light of your countenance.

1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers
and sisters, you do not need to have anything written
to you. [2]For you yourselves know very well that the
day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.
[3]When they say, "There is peace and security," then
sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor
pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will
be no escape! [4]But you, beloved, are not in darkness,
for that day to surprise you like a thief; [5]for you are
all children of light and children of the day; we are
not of the night or of darkness. [6]So then let us not
fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be
sober; [7]for those who sleep sleep at night, and those
who are drunk get drunk at night. [8]But since we
belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the
breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the
hope of salvation. [9]For God has destined us not for
wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord
Jesus Christ, [10]who died for us, so that whether we
are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11]There-
fore encourage one another and build up each other,
as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25. 14-30

"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves
and entrusted his property to them; [15]to one he gave five
talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to
his ability. Then he went away. [16]The one who had received
the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and
made five more talents. [17]In the same way, the one who had
the two talents made two more talents. [18]But the one who had
received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground
and hid his master's money. [19]After a long time the master of
those slaves came and settled accounts with them. [20]Then the
one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing
five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five
talents; see, I have made five more talents.' [21]His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you
have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'
[22]And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have
made two more talents.' [23]His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy
in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [24]Then the one who had
received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did
not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; [25]so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the
ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26]But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I
reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? [27]Then you ought to have invested my money with the
bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. [28]So take the talent from him, and
give it to the one with the ten talents. [29]For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abun-
dance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. [30]As for this worthless slave, throw
him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Carole Young's
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Meeting ID: **999 516 9418**
Passcode: **Twigster3**
You can also join by telephone on number: 0203 481 5237 and entering the ID: 999 516 9418 and Code: 570910568

Event Dates for your Diary

Sat 21st Nov - 11.00-1.00 Brunch at Baxterley
Thurs 26th Nov - 11am Funeral of Brian Stansfield at Kingsbury
Fri 27th Nov - 3.15pm Funeral of Barry Ward at Sutton Crematorium
Wed 2nd Dec - 10.00-12.00 Merevale Christmas Cheer at Merevale Hall (£8.00)
Sat 5th Dec - WE Coffee Afternoon
Sat 5th Dec - Handbell Ultimate Pre -Christmas Concert Party (£10)
Sat 12th Dec - Christmas Hits Concert at Baxterley - Live Band (£15)
Thur 17th Dec - Kingsbury Coffee Morning in Church



Interregnum Arrangements

Our parish is now in interregnum and the Vicarage and it's telephone will be 'off limits'. From now on all pastoral matters should be passed to **Revd. Carole** via the 'office' telephone number of **07426 068938** or via email on **admin@kingbaxgroup.org.uk .** Matters regarding church buildings/grounds should be passed to the church wardens. *Many Thanks.*

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library…

Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 10th & 24th November at The Old Stables**, Kingsbury Church—between **1.30-3.30pm.** Open every **2nd & 4th Tuesday!**